



PROJECT AGREEMENT 24 COMMITTEE
Inland Empire Brine Line
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
March 2, 2021

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

T. Milford Harrison, Chair, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Governing Board
Brenda Dennstedt, Vice Chair, Western Municipal Water District Governing Board
Jasmin A. Hall, Inland Empire Utilities Agency Governing Board
David J. Slawson, Alternate, Eastern Municipal Water District General Manager

ALTERNATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT [Non-Voting]

Gil Botello, Alternate, San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District Governing Board

COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Paul D. Jones, Eastern Municipal Water District General Manager

STAFF PRESENT

Jeff Mosher, Karen Williams, Carlos Quintero, David Ruhl, Dean Unger, Mark Norton, Kelly Berry

OTHERS PRESENT

Andrew D. Turner, Lagerlof, LLP

1. CALL TO ORDER | PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The regular meeting of the PA 24 Committee was called to order at 10:31 a.m. by Chair Harrison on behalf of the Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority, 11615 Sterling Avenue, Riverside, California. Pursuant to the provisions of Executive Order N-29-20, this meeting was conducted virtually. All votes taken during this meeting were conducted via oral roll call.

Chair Harrison welcomed Gil Botello as the newly appointed Alternate Committee Member representing the San Bernardino Valley Municipal Water District.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments; there were no public comments received via email.

3. ITEMS TO BE ADDED OR DELETED

There were no added or deleted items.

4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: February 2, 2021

Chair Harrison called for a motion to approve the February 2, 2021 meeting minutes as posted.

MOVED, approve the February 2, 2021 meeting minutes.

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| Result: | Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously) |
| Motion/Second: | Dennstedt/Slawson |
| Ayes: | Dennstedt, Hall, Harrison, Slawson |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstentions: | None |
| Absent: | None |

5. COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. PRADO RESERVOIR | BRINE LINE MAINTENANCE ACCESS STRUCTURE PROTECTION (PA24#2021.4)

David Ruhl provided an oral presentation. As part of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) Santa Ana River Mainstem Project to increase the flood control storage behind Prado Dam, the Corps is anticipating raising the Prado Dam Spillway by approximately 20 feet. As a result, all brine line maintenance access structures (MAS) will need to be watertight up to the flood storage elevation of 566 feet. Of the 18 MAS on Reach IV-A and Reach IV-D between 556 feet and 566 feet, four are sealed and watertight with no modifications necessary. Fourteen (14) need modification at an estimated cost of \$200,000. Orange County Public Works (OCPW) is responsible for protecting utilities between 556 feet and 566 feet and will pay the cost of the modifications. The work should be completed over the next several months.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.A.

B. BRINE LINE REACH 4A UPPER CORROSION REPAIRS (PA24#2021.3)

Carlos Quintero provided a PowerPoint presentation contained in the agenda packet on pages 15 - 24. These repairs are part of ongoing brine line preventative repair and maintenance efforts. The Reach 4A Upper Corrosion Repairs occurred in two phases. Phase 1 has been completed at an approximate cost of \$25,000 and included repair of 17 maintenance access structures (MAS) with focus on the ductile iron tee riser and deteriorated PVC liner. Phase 2 is ongoing with an anticipated cost of approximately \$15,000 and includes inspection and repair of 19 maintenance access structures (MAS). Chair Harrison asked why the lined pipe was not able to handle the discharge; Quintero advised this section of the brine line was built in the early 1980s and at that time they may not have been entirely sure what type of facilities would be discharging into the brine line. The material SAWPA is utilizing for lining the ductile iron tees during these repairs is corrosion resistant.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.B.

C. BRINE LINE SERVICE CONTRACTS | REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (PA24#2021.5)

Carlos Quintero provided a PowerPoint presentation contained in the agenda packet on pages 65 - 70. SAWPA relies on several outside service providers to perform critical maintenance activities on the brine line requiring specialty equipment SAWPA does not own. Brine line service contracts are generally awarded for a period of two years with an option to renew for one additional year. Responses to the Requests for Proposals (RFPs) will be due April 7, 2021, and authorization of the service contracts exceeding the General Manager's authority will be presented to the Committee during the May 2021 meeting.

MOVED, direct the General Manager to issue Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for the Inland Empire Brine Line service contracts.

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| Result: | Adopted by Roll Call Vote (Unanimously) |
| Motion/Second: | Slawson/Dennstedt |
| Ayes | Dennstedt, Hall, Harrison, Slawson |
| Nays: | None |
| Abstentions: | None |
| Absent: | None |

D. BRINE LINE VIRTUAL TOUR

Carlos Quintero presented a virtual tour of the Inland Empire Brine Line utilizing location photographs and Google Earth. There was discussion regarding a vacant parcel (1.13 acres) SAWPA purchased in the early 1990s as part of the Mission Tunnel construction and whether it should be sold as surplus property.

This item was for informational and discussion purposes; no action was taken on Agenda Item No. 5.D.

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

Recommendation: Receive and file the following oral/written reports/updates.

A. BRINE LINE FINANCIAL REPORT – DECEMBER 2020

7. REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Chair Harrison suggested the Committee consider whether SAWPA should maintain ownership of the vacant parcel (1.13 acres) discussed during Agenda Item No. 5.D. or if SAWPA should proceed in declaring it surplus property and requested a report brought to the Committee for consideration in the future.


8. CLOSED SESSION

There was no closed session.

9. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for review, Chair Harrison adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Approved at a Regular Meeting of the Project Agreement 24 Committee on April 6, 2021.



T. Milford Harrison, Chair

Attest:



Sara Villa, Acting Clerk of the Board